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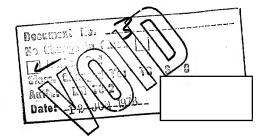
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The Communists have purchased 18,000 pairs of rubber sneakers, 30 percent 25X1 _{1.} being basketball type for officers, for the Chinese Communist Army. The orders for these shoes came through the Tung Li Company, 36 Queens Road, Central and the Nan Hsin Company, 124 Connaught Road, Central, Hong Kong; neither firm accepted a commission from the rubber goods factory. The Communists advanced one-third of the cost of each order. The shoes were shipped by rail and truck to Canton.

The Communists have also bought kerosene and gasoline from the Asiatic Petroleum Company in Hong Kong, as well as raw rubber, coal, cotton yarn, and caustic soda.

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